

AQS Acronyms & Abbreviations

A

ADD – Associate Division Director or Air Division Director
AEWin – AIRS Executive for Windows
AIRS – Aerometric Information Retrieval System
AIRDATA – OAQPS's Web Page for AQS
<http://www.epa.gov/air/data/info.html>
<http://www.epa.gov/air/data/index.html>
ALAPCO – Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials
AMP REPORTS – Series of AQS Retrieval Reports, e.g., AMP 350
AMTIC – Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/welcome.html>
APCD – Air Pollution Control District
AQI – Air Quality Index
AQS – Air Quality System
AQSPProd – Production Database of AQS
AQSP&A – Air Quality Precision & Accuracy Data Transaction Generator
AQSSD – Air Quality Strategies and Standards Division (EPA-OAQPS)
AWMA/A&WMA – Air and Waste Management Association

B

C

CAA – Clean Air Act
CAAA – Clean Air Act Amendments
CANYON – Name of Server where AQSPProd Database Resides
CARB – California Air Resources Board
CASAC – Clean Air Science Advisory Committee
CASTNet – Clean Air Status Trends Network
CDR – EPA's Chemical Data Registry
CD-ROM – Compact Disc-Read Only Memory
CDX – Central Data Exchange
CEIS – Center for Environmental Information and Statistics (EPA)
CENRAP – Central States Regional Air Partnership (AR,IA,KS,LA,MN,MO,NE,OK,TX)
CENSARA – Central States Air Resource Agencies
CMSA – Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area
CPU – Central Processing Unit
CSC – Computer Science Corporation
CY – Calendar Year

D

.DIF – Data Interchange Format (File Extension)
DISCOVERER – End-User Retrieval Only Query Tool from Oracle Corporation
DQO – Data Quality Objectives

E

ECOS – Environmental Council of the States
EDR – Environmental Data Registry
EDS – Electronic Data System or Energy Data System
EIS – Environmental Impact Statement
EMAD – Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division (EPA-OAQPS)
EPA – Environmental Protection Agency
ERD – Entity Relationship Diagram
ESD – Emission Standards Division (EPA-OAQPS)
EUL – End User Layer for use with DISCOVERER

F

FAQ – Frequently Asked Questions
FIP – Federal Implementation Plan
FIPS – Federal Information Processing System
FOIA – Freedom Of Information Act
FRM – Federal Reference Method
FTE – Full Time Employee
FTP – File Transfer Protocol
FY – Fiscal Year

G

GIS – Geographical Information System
GPRA – Government Performance and Results Act
GPS – Global Positioning System
GUI – Graphical User Interface

H

HAP – Hazardous Air Pollutant
HH – Hour of the Day
.HTM – Hyper Text Markup Language (File Extension)

I

ID – Assigned 3-Character Userid
IG – Inspector General
IMG – Information Management Group / ITPID
IMPROVE – Interagency Monitoring of Protected Visual Environments
IP – Internet Protocol
IPA – Intergovernmental Personnel Act
ISO – Information Security Officer
ITG – Information Transfer Group / ITPID
ITMRA – Information Technology Management Reform Act (AKA Clinger Cohen)
ITPID – Information Transfer and Program Integration Division (EPA-OAQPS)

L

LADCO – Lake Michigan Air Directors Consortium
LAN – Local Area Network
LAT – Latitude
LM – Lockheed Martin
LONG – Longitude

M

MANE-VU - Mid-Atlantic / Northeast Visibility Union
(CT,DE,DC,ME,MD,MA,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,VT,VA)
MARAMA – Mid-Atlantic Regional Air Management Association
MI – Minute of the Hour
MIDWEST RPO – Midwest Regional Planning Organization (IL,IN,MI,OH,WI)
MM DD YYYY – Month, Day, Year
MOA – Memorandum Of Agreement
MOU – Memorandum Of Understanding
MQAG – Monitoring and Quality Assurance Group (EPA-EMAD)
MSA – Metropolitan Statistical Area
MSO – Multi-State Organization

N

NAAQS – National Ambient Air Quality Standard
NAMS – National Air Monitoring Station
NAPAP – National Acidic Precipitation Assessment Program
NARSTO - North American Research Strategy for Tropospheric Ozone
NATTA – National Air Toxics Trends Sites

NCC – National Computer Center
NESCAUM – Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management
NOAA – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPS – National Park Service
NTIS – National Technical Information Service
NTSD – National Technical Services Division (OEI)

O

OAQPS – Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (EPA-OAR)
OAR – Office of Air and Radiation
OEI – Office of Environmental Information
OGC – Office of General Counsel
OMB – Office of Management and Budget
ORD – Office of Research and Development

P

P & A – Precision & Accuracy Data
PAMS – Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Station
PARS – Precision and Accuracy Reporting System
.PDF – Adobe Portable Document Format (File Extension)
PM – Particulate Matter
POC – Parameter Occurrence Code
POP – Persistent Organic Pollutant
.PRN – Printer Text (File Extension)
PSI – Pollutant Standard Index (Replaced by AQI)

Q

QAP – Quality Assurance Plan
QIP – Quality Improvement Plan

R

RAMP – Regional Air Management Partnership
RAPS – Regional Air Pollution Study
RDBMS – Relational Database Management System (Relational Database that stores data)
RIA – Regulatory Impact Analysis
RO – Regional Office
RPO – Regional Planning Organization
RTF – Rich Text Format (File Extension)
RTI – Research Triangle Institute
RTP – Research Triangle Park, NC

S

SAB – Science Advisory Board
SERVER – Computer or device on a network that manages network resources
SIC – Standard Industrial Classification
SIP – State Implementation Plan
SLAMS – State / Local Air Monitoring Station
SMF – System Modernization Fund (EPA's fund for IT Projects)
SOW – Statement Of Work
SQL – Structured Query Language
SS – Second of the Minute
STAG – State and Tribal Assistance Grants
STAPPA – State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators
SYSOP – System Operator

T

TAD – Technical Assistance Document
TITLE I – As in Title 1 of the CAA dealing with State Implementation Plan (SIP)

TITLE III – As in Title 3 of the CAA dealing with Hazardous Air Pollutant Program
TSP – Total Suspended Particulate
TSSMS – Time Sharing System Management Services
TTN – Technology Transfer Network
TVA – Tennessee Valley Authority
.TXT – Text (File Extension)

U

UAMV – Urban Airshed Model V
UNIX – Operating system usually used on servers
USERID – 3-Character identifier assigned to a user
UTM – Universal Transverse Mercado

V

VALLEY – Name of AQS Unix Web Server
VIEWS – Visibility Information Exchange Web System
(Database / Query Tool Developed by Regional Planning Organization)
VISTAS – Visibility Improvement State & Tribal Association of the Southeast
(AL,FL,GA,KY,MS,NC,SC,TN,VA,WV,E CHEROKEE)
VOC – Volatile Organic Compound
VOLCANO – Name of AQS Proxy Server for FTP'ing Data

W

WCF – Working Capital Fund
WD – Wind Direction
WESTAR – Western States Air Resources Council
WHO – World Health Organization
.WKS – Lotus 1-2-3 Worksheet (File Extension)
WMO – World Meteorological Organization
WRAP – Western Regional Air Partnership (former Grand Canyon Visibility Transport Commission)
(AZ,CA,CO,ID,NV,NM,OR,UT,WY)
WS – Wind Speed
WWW – World Wide Web

X

.XLS – Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet (File Extension)
XML – Extended Markup Language

Y

Z